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***Knowledge, attitude and practice of Victorian General Medical Practitioners towards common adult and paediatric dental problems***

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| The research is being carried out by the following researchers:  **Dr. Dalya Alzard**  The research is being carried out in partial fulfilment of Masters under the supervision of  **Professor Michael Woods**  **Dr. Ali AL-Nuaimi**  **Dr. Elizabeth Sari**  The following researchers will be conducting the study: | | |
| **Role** | **Name** | **Organisation** |
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1. **What is the study about?** You are invited to participate in a study of **Knowledge, attitude and practice of Victorian General Medical Practitioners towards common adult and paediatric dental problems.**

We hope to learn:

* **Victorian General Medical Practitioners’ (GMPs’) knowledge, insights and competence regarding accurate diagnosis of dental conditions, affecting the adult population**
* **the depth of scope of GMPs in managing early childhood caries in the paediatric age group**
* **the different routes, GMPs pursue while referring patients with a persisting oral infection or dental pain.**

**La Trobe researchers will not obtain participants’ contact details.**

1. **Do I have to participate?**

Being part of this study is **voluntary**. If you want to be part of the study we ask that you read the information below carefully.

You can read the information below and decide at the end if you do not want to participate. If you decide not to participate this won’t affect your relationship with La Trobe University or any other listed organisation.

1. **Who is being asked to participate?**

**You have been asked to participate because you are a registered GMP of the Australian Medical Association.**

**Inclusion of all Victorian registered GMPs of the AMA.**

**Exclusion of registered GMPs in other Australian states and territories.**

1. **What will I be asked to do?**

If you want to take part in this study, we will ask you **to complete an online survey using REDCap software**. It will take **less than 5 minutes** of your time to be part of this study.

1. **What are the benefits?**

The benefit of you taking part in this study is **that we can evaluate the knowledge, management and referral pathway undertaken by GMPs of patients presenting with dental / oral problems. The results of the study will show if GMPs are currently following the current Australian Guidelines and if there is a need for specific dental education and training programs and also by conducting various interdisciplinary lectures and conferences highlighting key dental issues and their relationship with various systemic health problems.** The expected benefits to society in general **will be reflected by the provision of the most appropriate management and referral of patients which will restore their oral health. This in turn will affect their overall health and wellbeing.**

1. **What are the risks?**

With any study there are (1) risks we know about, (2) risks we don’t know about, and (3) risks we don’t expect. If you experience something that you aren’t sure about, please contact us immediately so we can discuss the best way to manage your concerns.

| **Name/Organisation** | **Position** | **Telephone** | **Email** |
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**There are NO known risks.**

**We do not foresee any risks associated with this study.**

1. **What will happen to information about me?**

By clicking on the ‘I agree, start questionnaire’ button, this tells us you want to take part in the study.

We will **collect** information about you in ways that **will not** reveal who you are.

We will **store** information about you in ways that **will not** reveal who you are.

We will **publish** information about you in ways that **will not** be identified in any type of publication from this study.

We will **keep** your information for 5 years after the project is completed. After this time we will destroy all of your data.

The storage, transfer and destruction of your data will be undertaken in accordance with the [Research Data Management Policy](https://policies.latrobe.edu.au/document/view.php?id=106/) <https://policies.latrobe.edu.au/document/view.php?id=106/>.

The personal information you provide will be handled in accordance with applicable privacy laws, any health information collected will be handled in accordance with the Health Records Act 2001 (Vic). Subject to any exceptions in relevant laws, you have the right to access and correct your personal information by contacting the research team.

1. **Will I hear about the results of the study?**

**We will let you know about the results of the study.**

**You can request results from this research by contacting the principal investigator or the student investigator by email.**

**Principal investigator email: m.woods@latrobe.edu.au**

**Student investigator email:** [**19975477@students.latrobe.edu.au**](mailto:19975477@students.latrobe.edu.au)

**The results are expected to be available by 31/12/2021.**

1. **What if I change my mind?**

If you no longer want to complete the questionnaire, simply close the web browser. If you change your mind after clicking on the ‘Submit’ button, we **cannot** withdraw your responses because we **cannot** link who you are with your questionnaire responses.

Your decision to withdraw at any point will **not** affect your relationship with La Trobe University or any other organisation listed.

1. **Who can I contact for questions or want more information?**

If you would like to speak to us, please use the contact details below:

1. **What if I have a complaint?**

If you have a complaint about any part of this study, please contact:

| **Ethics Reference Number** | **Position** | **Telephone** | **Email** |
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| HEC20434 | Senior Research Ethics Officer | +61 3 9479 1443 | [humanethics@latrobe.edu.au](mailto:humanethics@latrobe.edu.au) |

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**Consent Form – Declaration by Participant**

I (the participant) have read understood the Participant Information Statement, and any questions have been answered to my satisfaction. I agree to participate in the study, I know I can withdraw at any time until [four weeks] following the collection of my data. I agree information provided by me or with my permission during the project may be included in a thesis, presentation and published in journals on the condition that I cannot be identified.

I would like my information collected for this research study to be:

Only used for this specific study;

Used for future related studies;

Used for any future studies.

To obtain a copy of the results, you can contact the principal investigator or the student investigator by email.

Principal investigator email: m.woods@latrobe.edu.au

Student investigator email: [19975477@students.latrobe.edu.au](mailto:19975477@students.latrobe.edu.au)

I would like to receive a copy of the results via email.

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| **I agree, start questionnaire** |